(a) the target fixed and achievement made in implementing the Rural Health Services and Maternal and Child Health Programmes in Maharashtra during each of the last three years, district-wise;

(b) the details of the schemes meant for the welfare, of SC/STs during the above period; and

(c) the amount proposed to be allotted for this purpose in the Eighth Plan period and the targets fixed thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Grievances of Salt Producers in Tamil Nadu

2202. DR. SUDHIR RAY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any representation from the Small Scale Salt Producers' Association, Arumuganeri, Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to redress their grievance relating to providing of wagons for transportation of salt?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Since this movement is in piecemeal involving transhipment, the capacity is limited. Efforts are being made to improve the wagon supplies within the overall constraints.

Shuttles Train Between Delhi and Faridabad

2203. SHRI AVTAR SINGH BHADANA:
SHRI S.N. VEKARIA:
SHRI RAJENDRA KUMAR SHARMA:
SHRI ARVIND TRIVEDI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a long standing demand for introduction of a shuttle train between Delhi and Faridabad and also for starting new trains from the adjoining areas of Delhi or to provide halt to some long distance trains at Faridabad and Palwal in view of increase in daily passengers from those areas;

(b) if so, the time by which they are likely to be introduced, and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). One pair of EMU trains between Shakurbasti/New Delhi and Ballabgarh (serving Faridabad also) introduced w.e.f 29.1.1992. Similarly, 6 EMU trains introduced between Shakurbasti/Delhi/New Delhi and Ghaziabad w.e.f. 24.2.1992. Stoppage of 6032 Jammu Tawi – Madras Express is being provided at Faridabad w.e.f. 1.7.92.

Sterilisation Operations

2204. DR. VASANT NIWRUTTI PAWAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated number of male and

female sterilisation operations performed in the country during 1990–91,

(b) the number of cases where complications reported and the total amount of compensation paid to the affected persons, and

(c) the remedial steps taken in the matter to avoid such complications?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D K THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA) (a) The provisional number of male and female sterilisation operations performed in the country during 1990–91 are 254,982 and 3 867,648 respectively

(b) Complications in sterilisation cases could be of different types from minor to serious ailments and as such the number of such cases is not being monitored centrally No compensation is provided for complica tions occurring after sterilisation operations Compensation is paid for death due to ster ilisation

' tate/Union Territory Governments have been advised to provide free treatments to such cases of complications A number of steps have been taken to ensure quality of sterilisation operations These, inter–alia include (i) opening up of Central Laparoscopic Training Centres to impart required training skills, (ii) creation of centres of excellence in major States to provide training in standards of male and female sterilisations and (iii) issuance of guidelines to States/Union Territories from time to time in regard the proper selection of acceptors, precautions to be observed before and during sterilisation operations, and details on post-operative follow up care

Regional Office of Kendriya Vidyalaya

2205 PROF SAVITHRI LAKSHMANAN Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

(a) whether the Government propose to establish a Regional Office of Kendriya Vidyalaya,

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the place where it is likely to be set up, and

(c) the steps taken so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RE SOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) (a) The Board of Governors of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan in its 55th meeting held on 12 1 1992 has approved creation of three additional regional offices provided the expenditure is met within the approved Budget Estimates

(b) and (c) No decision has been taken regarding the location of the proposed re gional offices

[*Trarslation*]

Rail Link with NOIDA

2206 SHRI JANARDAN MISRA Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether the Noida Authority has requested his ministry to link Noida with Delhi and other parts of the country,

(b) if so, whether the Government have considered this proposal,

(c) if so, the action taken so far in this regard, and

(d) if not, the time by which this proposal is likely to be considered?